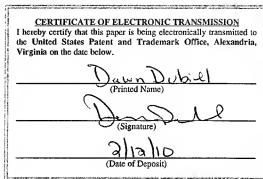


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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This Amendment and Reply under 37 §CFR 1.111 is responsive to the Non-final Office Action dated August 13, 2009 concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for a 3 month extension of time under, accompanied by the appropriate fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a), to make this response timely. These documents are due on or before February 13, 2010.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.